Liberalisation of rules for fixation of pension

394. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the rules for voluntary retirement from Government service at present;

(b) in what manner the pension of employees seeking voluntary retirement is fixed;

(c) what is present formula to fix the pension of Government employees on superannuation;

(d) whether Government propose to liberalise the existing criteria for fixation of pension on superannuation;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) The expression 'voluntary retirement' is generally used in cases where a Government servant seeks retirement after he has completed 20 years qualifying service. He has to give a notice of not less than three months in writing to the appointing authority. The notice of voluntary retirement requires acceptance by the appointing authority. However if the appointing authority does not refuse to grant the permission for voluntary retirement before the expiry of the period specified the retirement becomes effective from the date of expiry of the period of notice.

(b) The pension of an employee seeking voluntary retirement is worked out in the same manner as other cases of retirement except that in computing the amount of pension a weightage is allowed in the length of qualifying service upto a maximum of five years subject to the condition that the actual qualifying service plus the weightage does not exceed Thirty Three years and it does not take him beyond the date of superannuation.

(c) The pension is dependent on three factors—namely, the pension formula, average emoluments drawn during ten months preceding retirement and the length of qualifying service. Where the length of qualifying service is 33 years or more full pension equal to 50% of the average emoluments is allowed, where the length of qualifying service is more than 10 years but less than 33 years, the amount of pension is pro-rata less.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) The pension structure of Central Government pensioners was recently subjected to an in-depth examination by a high powered body, namely, the Fourth Central Pay Commission. The present criteria for fixation of pension on superannuation are based on the specific recommendations of the above-mentioned Commission which have been accepted by the Government.

भारत-पाक सीमा पर पाक सेना का जमाव

395. **डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि भारत-पाक सीमा पर पाक सेनाओं के जमाव से तनावपूर्ण स्थिति पैदा हो गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो स्थिति से निपटने के लिए सरकार ने क्या उचित कदम उठाए हैं ?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राजा रमन्ना : (क) और (ख) सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि पाकिस्तान ने अपनी संक्रियात्मक तैयारी को बेहतर बनाने के लिए कुछ उपाय किए हैं । सरकार उन सभी गतिविधियों पर बारीकी